A PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

The 28th Senate District was very blessed this week to help host President George W. Bush on Tuesday, September 7th. The Sedalia stopover was part of the Presidents most recent bus tour through Missouri. Promoting his theme of "A Safer World, A More Hopeful America", residents of the 28th Senate District shared 90 minutes with the President at the Historic Missouri State Fair Coliseum.

The very personal occasion felt more like a presidential visit to our living rooms. President Bush shared from his heart on the floor of the coliseum, to the 3200 packed attendees, of why we should vote for him in 2004 and allow him another four years as President.

He expressed his gratitude to the crowd and the host city for their hospitality and outlined his agenda for the future. A great portion of his remarks were wrapped around five local residents of the 28th Senate District who have benefited from his agenda for a more hopeful America and given much in return.

Local volunteer Bill Dugan was praised for his willing and compassionate spirit to give back to the community through his many hours of work with Habitat for Humanity. The President made clear his desire to further encourage faith based programs and the role they play in making society a better place. In addition, a single mother was introduced and shared her goals of starting her own business in addition to her 14 years of faithful employment as a teacher. The occasion was used by the President to

share of his desire to encourage small business growth to continue stimulating the economy. A local businessman was highlighted to share the great effect tax relief has on our Nations economy. Through reduced taxes and tax incentives, greater investments were made in machinery that allowed the addition of 3 more jobs at his plant. President Bush highlighted the occasion to show that 70% of new job growth is in small business expansion. In addition, he proposed the reform of allowing small business to band together in health associations to be able to offer more benefits to their employees. Dr. Don Allcorn form Lincoln, Mo. was highlighted as well to put a face on the need for medical malpractice reform or as President Bush described, junk lawsuits that needlessly drive up the cost of health care.

Much more could be shared but the point was made loud and clear through this very warm and personal visit; A Safer World and a More Hopeful America will be best maintained by another four years with George W. Bush in the Whitehouse.

If you have questions about this or any other issue feel free to contact me at 573-751-8793 or by email at delbertscott@senate.state.mo.us.